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After two years...
Ring Road Glows

District Minister Somanna convinces CM to make MUDA and MCC foot electricity bill

Thanks to Mysuru District Minister V. Somanna and Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha, the otherwise dark Outer Ring Road has now lit up.

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (RK&BCT)- Night commuters along the Outer Ring Road can now heave a sigh of relief as streetlights along the Outer Ring Road have been switched on after a gap of over two years.

Last year, following severe public criticism, the lights were switched on during Dasara but after the *Nada Habba*, the lights were turned off again. But from now on, streetlights on the 42-kilometre long carriageway will be on as a permanent solution.

MCC, MUDA pass the buck

There were two reasons for the Ring Road going dark for the past two years. The first issue was non-payment of electricity bill to Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) by MUDA. The second was the ambiguity as to who should maintain, operate and pay for the streetlights. With no clarity on the issue and passing the buck act, the problem continued.

The issue has now been settled with the intervention of Mysuru District Minister V. Somanna.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha, who was so far insisting MUDA and the MCC to maintain and operate the streetlights, brought to Somanna's notice that the six-lane Ring Road was built by MUDA and it handed over to the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) for maintenance. Once the Road was handed over to NHAI, MUDA said that the NHAI has to operate the streetlights.

NHAI too washes its hands off

While the MCC argued that the streetlights on the Road were not its responsibility since its limits do not cover areas beyond the Ring Road, the NHAI argued that they do not have budgetary provisions to maintain the streetlights.

As outstanding dues remained unpaid, the CESC disconnected power supply to streetlights, plunging the road into darkness. Over two years, the dues owed to CESC grew up to Rs. 1,18,62,000.

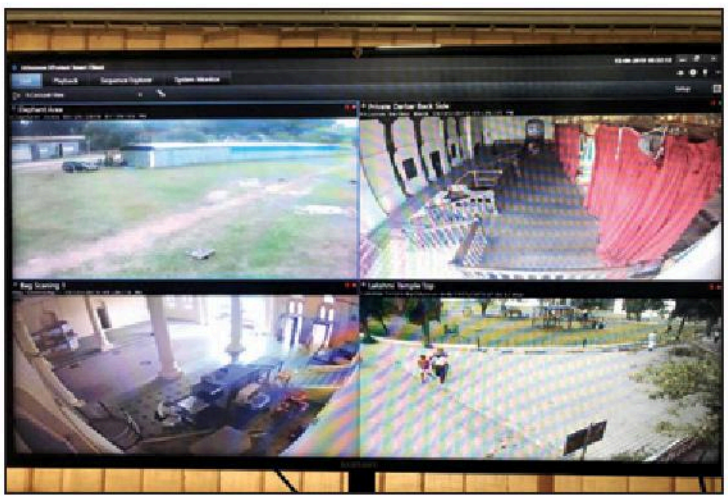
Somanna's intervention

Deciding to settle the issue amicably in the city's interest amidst continued indifference from MUDA, MCC and the NHAI, District Minister Somanna took the issue to Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa who holds the Urban Development Ministry portfolio. He wrote a letter to Yediyurappa who has noted in the letter that the MUDA and MCC must share the responsibility of maintaining the streetlights.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Pratap Simha said that he has been fighting for the issue since months and now the commuters have got a relief. "All credit must go to Minister Somanna who took special interest in this and was able to convince the CM to direct MUDA and MCC to foot the electricity bill. This is not an ad hoc but a permanent solution that will continue even after Dasara," he said.

(See RING ROAD on page 8)

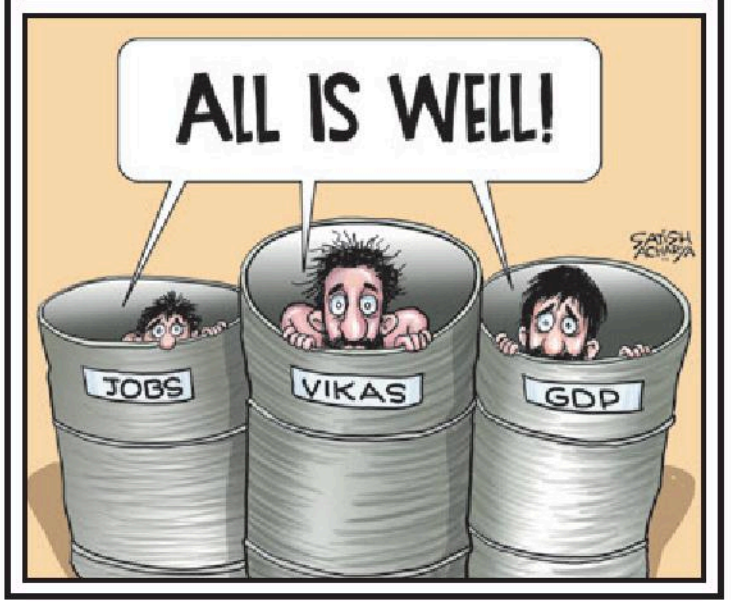
117 cameras keep 360° vigil on Mysore Palace



Mysuru, Sept. 25 (NNN)- Lakhs of tourists visit Mysore Palace, one of the most popular tourist destinations in the country, every year. To keep a watch on this magnificent place every day is no easy task. However, the Mysuru Palace Board has risen to the occasion and installed 117 CCTV cameras covering the entire span of 72 acres of the Palace campus to keep a Hawk's Eye on every bit of the activity that goes on in and around the Palace.

(See CAMERAS on page 8)

STAR PUNCH By Satish Acharya



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Mysuru, Wednesday 25th September 2019

Undoing past *undoings*

Naming the new-born, *naamakarana* in Kannada, a practice dating back to antiquity and continuing to this day in different sections of society, has its load of sentiment, sanctity and spirituality that cannot be expressed adequately in words. The Bard is quoted as saying that rose, called by any other name, smells as sweet, but that doesn't apply to names of anything that needs unmistakable identity, particularly individuals. People were required to be identified as son or daughter of their respective father in official records, a law perhaps introduced during the country's colonial rule, and followed even after change-over to self-rule. Every consumer product, whether naturally obtained (such as food crops) or manufactured (such as attires or automobiles) ought to be identified by unique names. Taking the matter further, every region, every city and even areas within cities need specific names that cannot be played with to avoid confusion, if not chaos. There is hardly any town or village across the country, name of which spells its historic origins, Mysuru serving as an instant example.

Among the more than 8,000 towns and cities as well as nearly 6,00,000 villages, a considerable number of them are connected with narratives in the land's epics, notwithstanding the distinction between mythology and history about them. In either case, the names of these locations carry with them strong elements of sentiment, sanctity, spirituality and even a charge of emotion.

During the times of the country coming under alien rule preceding its political freedom, hundreds of places were either named or rechristened as it pleased the ruling class of those times, not only accepted by people but also used in both official parlance and communication among them. Given the move of restoring the earlier names of two cities in one of the Northern States, the mood for undoing the undoing of names by alien rulers seems to be picking up. The anglicised names of many urban spaces in different States, including Karnataka, have been changed to their *time-honoured* names, an act that received warm response from most people of the respective places, if not all.

Names of places traced to antiquity changed to names reflecting alien rule generates bitterness in the minds of people with deep sentimental feelings outnumbering the other kind who couldn't care less about names of places by virtue of landmark event at different times. The aliens enjoyed free play in the game of names for places and it is appropriate to undo their undoing of the past.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

RAINING TROUBLE : ***So it's not just you and I who feel we are powerless and are not being heard. Often the powerful also feel the same way. After days of uninterrupted showers inundating parts of Madhya Pradesh, some Ministers in Bhopal have taken to social media to complain about their agony. Tribal Development Minister Omkar Singh Markam complained that even after repeated requests the "concerned authorities" did not heed his cry for help. Independent MLA Surendra Singh tweeted, "Heavy rain has flooded my bungalow and I am also troubled by mosquitoes. I have complained but no one responded."*** — *In Business Standard*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Mexico's sinking beach

Puerto Escondito: Photos of a popular beach in the Mexican State of Oaxaca sinking into the Ocean, which is doing the rounds on social media, has left people scratching their heads in disbelief. It turns out the sinking is being caused by a phenomenon known as "mar de fondo", or "swell".

Swells rarely occur at popular seaside destination, which only makes the repeated sinking of the beach at Puerto Escondito, in Oaxaca, that much more peculiar. Swells, also known as surface gravity waves, are created by storms thousands of miles away from the beaches on which they break, and are not influenced by local winds. They cause a rise in sea level, but are different than high tide, eating away at the sand and causing large stretches of beach to simply sink into the ocean. This is what happened at Puerto Escondito last week, but the really strange part is that the exact same thing occurred in the same place, in May of last year.

Man divorces wife without telling her

Texas: A Texas man is wanted on a third-degree felony aggravated forgery charge after Police discovered that he was trying to get a divorce from his wife without her even knowing he was divorcing her.

Paul Nixon, 51, of Harris County, in Texas, allegedly forged his wife's signature as well as that of a public notary to make it look as if his spouse had consented to the divorce. According to Court records, Nixon filed for divorce on February 15 – ironically, the day after Valentine's Day – and a judge signed an order that made the divorce official in April.

On May 14, the shocked woman called Police to report that her husband had filed and obtained a final divorce from her without her even knowing about it. After investigating the allegations, officials found that Paul Nixon had forget official documents to start and finalise the divorce proceedings without his ex-spouse's knowledge.

HEALTH CAPSULE
by Bron Smith

How effective is Ketamine in treating depression?

Ketamine has been used successfully to treat major depressive disorder, treatment resistant depression, bipolar depression and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). As an antidepressant, it has been shown to relieve symptoms within four hours.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Sept.25- **N. Biligiri** has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by the University of Mysore (UoM) for his thesis 'Mysuru Samsthanada Swathantraya Chaluvaliyalli Dalitara Patra: Ondu Adhyayana (1920-1947)' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Puttaiah.

K.N. Hemavathi has been awarded Ph.D in Library and Information Science by the UoM for her thesis 'Information Literacy Competency among Students and Faculty Members of Horticultural Science Institutions in Karnataka' [Guide: Dr. M. Chandrashekara].

D. Bhaskara has been awarded Ph.D in Women's Studies by the UoM for his thesis 'Mysuru Jilleya Mahila Udyamigala Arthika Sabalikarana: Ondu Adhyayana' [Guide: Dr. S.M. Mangala].

N.E. Maruthi has been awarded Ph.D in Earth Science by the UoM for his thesis 'Hyperspectral and Geochemical Signatures on corundum bearing rocks in part of Southern Karnataka, India' [Guide: Dr. H.T. Basavarajappa].

B.K. Prakash has been awarded Ph.D in Sericulture by the UoM for his thesis 'Studies on Consumption and Utilisation Indices and Biochemical Composition in Different Strains of ERI Silkworm, Samia Cynthia Ricini Boisduval' [Guide: Dr. B. Sannappa].

Pallavi has been awarded Ph.D in Sericulture by the UoM for her thesis 'Investigations on Bio-Energetics in Some Eco-Races of the ERI Silkworm, Samia Cynthia Ricini Boisduval' [Guide: Dr. B. Sannappa].

Really...?

- ***The characteristic shaggy appearance of bears is made up of two unique layers, one of short fur and one of long fur. The short hair layer is designed to keep them warm, whilst the longer layer prevents water from reaching the short hair layer and skin.***
- ***There are currently 8 distinct species of bear: North American Black Bears, Brown Bears, Polar Bears, Asiatic Black Bears, Andean Bears, Panda Bears, Sloth Bears and Sun Bears. Each one of these species is recognisable by their size, markings and characteristics.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

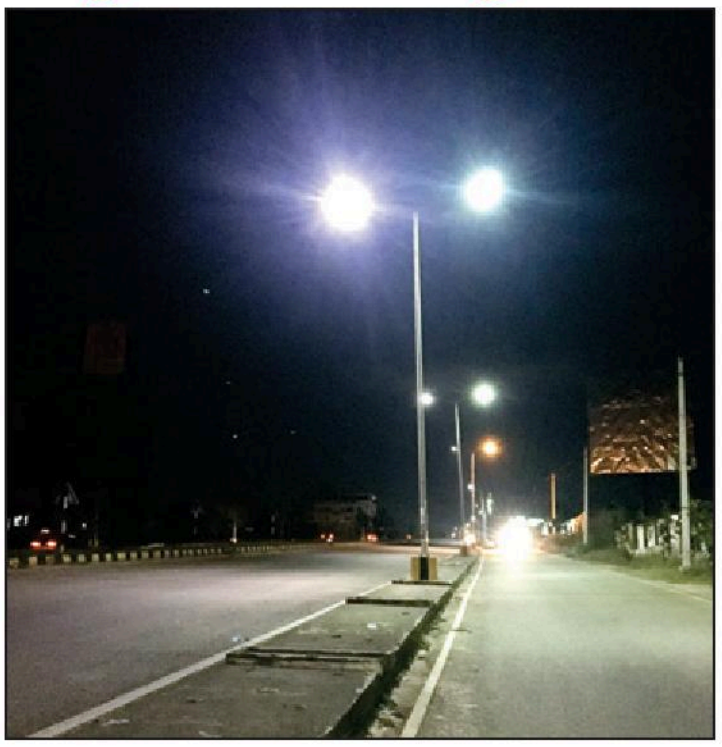
Santa's wife hit him on the head with the frying pan.
Santa: *What was that for?* ***Wife:*** *I found a paper in your pocket with the name BASANTI on it.* ***Santa:*** *I bet on a horse last week and BASANTI was the name of my horse.*
Wife: *Oh sorry.* ***Next day she hit him with the frying pan again.***
Santa: *Now what happened?*
Wife: *Your horse is on the phone !!*

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 71.06
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 88.59
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.35
1 Euro	= Rs.78.18

VOICE OF THE READER

Fleeting Happiness: Lights on Ring Road



Sir,

With Dasara-2019 round the corner, authorities are busy with last minute touch up works to make Mysuru as attractive as possible. The lights on Ring Road have been activated exactly after one year much to the joy and bewilderment of the residents and motorists.

Joy, because the road looks beautiful and perplexed because someone thinks we don't deserve these lights after we are done with Dasara festivities.

These lights come ON only during Dasara and go OFF again as if it is not needed for the people who live here or use the Road which is most of the times unsafe for two-wheeler riders.

Requesting the authorities concerned to continue to keep the Ring Road lit up at all times as a safety measure for residents who live by the Ring Road and also the motorists whose lives are at risk due to driving in pitch darkness. The darkness also attracts illegal and forbidden activities posing a danger to safety of citizens using the Road.

—Anupama B. Pandit
Mysuru
23.9.2019

Mantap is NOT blocking traffic signals, Trees are..

Sir,

I read the news item ***"Dasara decoration: Cause for delight but a word of caution"*** in yesterday's *Star of Mysore* about a Mantap with a lotus design erected at Kurubarahalli Circle (leading towards Chamundi Hill) on Lalitha Mahal Palace Road.

The caption has a remark that the design is masking traffic signals. I travel on the road everyday and it is not true that the design is covering the traffic signals. The design is located in the middle of the huge raised traffic island.

If at all the signals are masked or covered, it is because of the foliage of trees near the signal lights. You may as well ask the Forest Department or Mysuru City Corporation to prune the obstructionist branches and solve the signal light problem if at all.

The design of the Mantap syncs well with the festive occasion and the Chamundi Temple.

— K.M. Subramanya
Siddarthanagar
25.9.2019

No power supply tomorrow

Mysuru, Sept. 25- Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted tomorrow between 10 am and 5 pm in the following areas:

Devanur Power Distribution Centre: Rajivnagar 1st to 3rd Stages, Shanthinagar, Nehrunagar, Radhakrishnanagar, Bharathnagar, JSS Layout, Shakthinagar, Ghousianagar, Kyatamaranahalli, Kalyanagiri, Hanchya, Bugathahalli, Melapura, Rammanahalli Water Works, Kalasiddanahundi, Sathagalli, Rammanahalli, Bannur Ring Road and surrounding areas, according to a press release from Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC).

International Sign Languages Day observed

Signers' Club inaugurated at AIISH

"International Day of Sign Languages 2019"
Organized By : Department of Clinical Services and Special Education
23rd September, 2019

AIISH pre-school children rendering invocation in sign language to mark the inauguration of International Sign Languages Day as** (from left) **Prof. N. Sreedevi, Prof. M. Pushpavathi, chief guest J.V. Mahesh Verma and Prof. Ajish K. Abraham look on.

Mysuru, Sept. 25- International Day of Sign Languages was observed at All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), Mysuru, with the theme "Sign Language Rights for All". The programme was inaugurated by J.V. Mahesh Varma, President, Mysore District Deaf Association.

Speaking on the occasion, he narrated the influence of Sign Language in his life and explained how he was able to overcome the barriers through effective use of this.

He mentioned that knowledge of Sign Language helped him to excel in sports, especially chess and was instrumental in getting third prize in the 3rd National Deaf Chess Championship held at Mysuru in January 2007.

Stating that the sign language helped him to achieve vocational skills in furniture manufacturing, he urged persons with disability to use sign language effectively to excel in their life.

Prof. N Sreedevi, HoD, Clinical Services, AIISH, said that the objective of International Sign Language Day is to raise awareness on sign languages and strengthen the status of sign languages. This day is celebrated annually by the global Deaf Community to commemorate the same month in which the first World Congress of the WFD was held.

Prof. M. Pushpavathi, Director, AIISH, mentioned that sign languages are fully fledged natural languages, structurally distinct from the spoken languages. There is also an international sign language, which is used by deaf people in international meetings and informally when travelling and socialising. She added that observing this day at AIISH shows the commitment of the Institute to promote sign language as an alternative mode of communication.

AIISH Signers' Club initiated by the Department of Special Education was inaugurated on this occasion. The Club is open to staff and students of AIISH and intends to promote skills for spontaneous and fluent manual communication skills among rehabilitators serving individuals with communication disorders.

Weekly meet

Prof. P. Manjula, HoD, Special Education, informed that the Club shall be meeting weekly once in the afternoon of Saturdays for two hours at the Library and Information Centre of AIISH.

The first half of the session shall be spent on enriching academic and technical vocabulary among the members, and the second hour shall involve edutainment activities like narrating stories, sharing jokes and riddles in sign language which will facilitate spontaneity and fluency.

Prof. Ajish K. Abraham, Chairperson - AAC Unit, coordinated the event. The full day programme included an orientation for staff, students and care givers of special children, followed by competitions in sign language.

Rubby, Sign Language Teacher, welcomed and Rajkumar, Special Educator, proposed a vote of thanks.

Citizens cautioned

Mysuru, Sept. 25- The Main Roads and Circles across the city will be illuminated from Sept. 29 to Oct. 8 as part of Dasara Festival. The Dasara Illumination Sub-Committee has in a press release cautioned citizens to be careful and not to come in contact with live wires while taking selfies.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Books release

Mysuru Ramakrishna Ashrama's Swami Muktidanandaji will release three books at a programme jointly organised by District Kannada Sahitya Parishat and Samvahana Prakashana, at Zilla Sahitya Bhavan, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, at 5.30 pm on Sept.27. The books to be released are — Prof. K.B. Prabhuprasad's 'Chennudi-Chilume,' Dr. C.P. Krishna Kumar's 'Vachana Samvedana' and Prof. Y.S. Gowramma's 'Rashtrapitana Divyastragalu.' District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna will preside. Deputy Director of Libraries B. Manjunath will be the guest of honour.

Coaching for competitive exams

The coaching camp for all competitive examinations organised by Karnataka Sate Open University (KSOU) will be inaugurated on Sept. 27 at 10 am at Cauvery auditorium in KSOU premises by Commissioner of Handlooms and Textiles Dr. M.R. Ravi. Karnataka Police Academy Deputy Director Sudhir Kumar Reddy and KSOU Registrar Dr. B. Ramesh will be the chief guests.

Flower Show at Kukkarahalli Lake

The Horticulture Division of University of Mysore (UoM) has organised the 16th Dasara Flower Show at Kukkarahalli Lake from Sept.30 to Oct.9 daily from 9 am to 7 pm with free entry featuring a variety of ornamental plants and flowers. The show will be formally inaugurated by UoM VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar on Sept.30 at 5 pm.

Sports for elderly: Venue changed

The Sports Meet for Senior Citizens organised by the Department for the Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens tomorrow from 9 am will be held at Chamundi Vihar Stadium and not at JK Grounds as announced earlier. For details, call Ph: 0821-2490111 or 98864-76142.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	124.80 ft
Yesterday	124.80 ft
Inflow	11,809 cusecs
Outflow	11,599 cusecs

Kabini Level

(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,284.00 ft
Inflow	3,485 cusecs
Outflow	3,358 cusecs

Cabbie breaks law, dares Police; now behind bars

Accused posts video challenging Police; Cops now post video of him behind bars

Mysuru, Sept.25 (RK&BCT)- Never challenge the Police, especially when you are on the wrong side of the law. A cab driver from Mysuru has learnt it the hard way after he challenged the Bengaluru Police to arrest him as he does not have any documents including Driving Licence and insurance for his vehicle. The cabbie has now been arrested in Mysuru.

After a video of a Traffic Police Constable assaulting a truck driver and abusing him with filthy language despite producing all relevant documents went viral on Sept.21, cab driver Raghu, a native of Machabayanahalli near Hunsur, shot a video and uploaded the same on social media.

In the video, he challenged the Bengaluru Police to arrest him. "You have assaulted a truck driver though he had all the documents. I do not have

Accused Raghu

any documents and I have been driving since years. I am coming to Bengaluru and if you have the guts, arrest me," he said in the video.

Not stopping at that, he shot the number plate of the vehicle (KA-09 B-1200) in the video and further dared the Police.

In throwing up the challenge, 21-year-old Raghu insulted the Police and the video was shared widely. He received a lot of response on social media and unfortunately for Raghu, the video caught the attention of the Bengaluru Police.

Taking the issue seriously, Bengaluru Traffic Police Joint Commissioner B.R. Ravikanthegowda asked the Mysuru City Police Commissioner K.T. Balakrishna to identify the driver as it is a 'KA-09' vehicle.

Accordingly, the N.R. Traffic Police was entrusted with the responsibility of tracing the driver.

After Raghu was traced by N.R. Traffic Inspector Yogesh through vehicle details and his mobile phone, the Police found that as Raghu had narrated in the video, he did not have any documents. It was a Yellow Board (taxi) registered vehicle and the car was originally purchased in November 2013 by Ravikumar of N.R. Mohalla.

Ravikumar sold the vehicle to Vinod Kumar and Raghu had purchased the vehicle from Vinod Kumar in 2014 and had not bothered to transfer the vehicle in his name as per procedure. He did not even pay the insurance amount and get the vehicle insured. He has been violating rules since then.

Raghu has been arrested and is being interrogated. The Police have also seized the car. Raghu already has a couple of cases pending against him like using mobile phone while driving and violation if traffic rules. More cases will now be piled up against him.

Interestingly, after his arrest, the Police shot a video with Raghu squatting on the Police Station floor and also him behind bars. This video has now gone viral and the Police seem to send a message that those who challenge the Police will go behind bars.

Grandmother kills grandson after daughter elopes with lover

K.R. Pet, Sept.25 (Nagaiah &KS)- A 65-year-old woman allegedly killed her grandson by pushing him into Sindhaghatta Lake, near Sheelanere in K.R. Pet taluk, after her daughter eloped with her lover. The woman also attempted suicide but was saved by the villagers.

While deceased boy is Prajwal (11), a fifth standard student at Uygonahalli Government School, his grandmother is Savithramma. They were residing at Maruthi Nagar, Sheelanakere in the taluk.

Details: Savithramma was staying at a shed in Maruthi Nagar along with her daughter Lakshmi and grandson Prajwal.

About 20 days ago, Lakshmi eloped with one Srinivas of Mangaluru, which had depressed Savithramma. Following which Savithramma decided to kill her grandson and kill herself.

On Monday afternoon, Savithramma, who went to the School, told the teachers that she was

Prajwal

taking her grandson as they had to attend a festival and brought him home. Savithramma then took Prajwal to Sindhaghatta Lake about three kilometres from Maruthi Nagar, where she allegedly tied the boy's hands and legs before pushing him into the Lake. She then attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the Lake but was saved by passersby, who later handed over Savithramma to K.R. Pet Police.

The Police, who rushed to the spot, summoned Fire and Emergency Services personnel, who conducted a search and fished out the body of Prajwal.

The body was shifted to Dundashetty Lakshmamma Memorial General Hospital in K.R. Pet, where post-mortem was performed and the body was later handed over to his mother Lakshmi.

Superintendent of Police K. Parashuram visited the spot. Nagamangala Dy.SP Vishwanath, Circle Inspector K. Sudhakar, Kikkeri Sub-Inspector Chandrashekar have interrogated Savithramma.

Lakshmi, who rushed to the place from Mangaluru along with Srinivas upon learning the death of her son, held her mother responsible for her son's death and has lodged a complaint in this regard.

Car driver commits suicide at Chamundi Hill

Mysuru, Sept.25 (SPN&KS)- A car driver, said to be mentally depressed, committed suicide by hanging from a tree on Uttanahalli side forest of Chamundi Hill yesterday.

The Police have identified him as Muralidhar (52), residing at the Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama quarters.

On Monday morning Muralidhar who had left his home in the car did not return even late at night. The public who found the car parked on the Ring Road near Uttanahalli yesterday morning informed K.R. Police.

K.R. Police, who rushed to the spot, launched a search and found the body of Muralidhar hanging from a tree about one kilometre from where he had parked his car.

It is learnt that Muralidhar has been working as a car driver at the Ashrama since many years. His wife Sudhashree is working as a Manager at J.K. Tyres here and his son is working as a Chartered Accountant in Singapore. A case has been registered at K.R. Police Station in this regard.

It takes a MP to get an uprooted tree fully cleared

Before

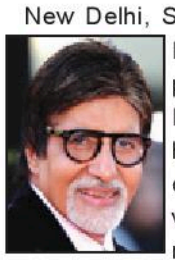
After

Mysuru, Sept. 25 - Following publication of a letter in Voice of the Reader column titled 'Half-baked civic work puts public in danger' in Star of Mysore dated Aug. 29, where a reader highlighted the tree inside the D.Ed College in Nazarbad being uprooted due to heavy rains and falling over the compound on to the Karanji Lake Road (Thandi Sadak Road) partially blocking the stretch and the authorities immediately cutting the branches to clear the road, but leaving two big branches of the tree protruding on the edge of the road posing danger to motorists, the tree has been fully cleared yesterday.

Though the letter along with the picture was published 26 days ago, the authorities who were least bothered about the danger posed by their half-baked works did not clear the fallen tree completely, until yesterday, when MP Pratap Simha was informed about this when he visited the *SOM* office. The MP immediately called the authorities concerned and instructed them to get the tree cleared as it posed a danger to commuters especially at night.

The authorities, promptly acting on the MP's instruction have cleared the fallen tree within hours and this morning it no more poses danger nor sticks out as a symbol of negligent attitude of the authorities concerned.

Amitabh Bachchan selected for Dadasaheb Phalke award


Amitabh Bachchan

New Delhi, Sept. 25 (UNI)- Bollywood superstar Amitabh Bachchan, who has entertained cinema lovers with his performances for over four decades, has been selected for the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award, the highest award in the field of cinema in the country.

Making the announcement, Information and Broadcasting Minister Prakash Javadekar, taking to twitter, said, "the legend Amitabh Bachchan, who entertained and inspired for two generations has been selected unanimously for the Dadasaheb Phalke Award. The entire country and international community is happy. My heartiest Congratulations to him."

Amitabh Bachchan , who is known for critically acclaimed and commercially successful films like 'Deewar,' 'Zanzeer,' 'Sholay,' 'Pink,' 'Black,' 'Paa,' 'Piku,' and the recent 'Badla,' has earlier been honoured with the Padma Shri, Padma Bhushan and Padma Vibhushan for his contributions to the arts.

The Government of France honoured him with its highest civilian honour, Knight of the Legion of Honour, in 2007.

Amitabh Bachchan has also won four National Film Awards for Best Actor through his illustrious career, last winning it for his performance in 2015 film 'Piku.'

Amitabh Bachchan currently appears on TV as the host of *Kaun Banega Crorepati 11*. He was last seen in crime-thriller *Badla*.

Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa to release two books on Sept. 27

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (RKB&DM)- Senior littérateur and *Saraswathi Samman* awardee Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa will release writer and Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS) guest faculty Dr. K.P. Lalitha's (Rashmi Nanjappa Kallichanda) two works titled 'Vivechane' and 'Shodhaneya Hadiyalli', at a programme to take place at Rani Bahadur Auditorium on Hunsur Road in Manasagangothri at 4.30 pm on Sept. 27.

Former Vice-Chancellor of University of Mysore (UoM) and KSOU Prof. K.S. Rangappa will inaugurate the programme. UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar will preside.

Former UoM Prasaranga Director Prof. C. Naganna and Karnataka University, Dharwad, Registrar Prof. C.B. Honnu Siddartha will speak about the books.

After making surprise visit, Health Minister Sriramulu sleeps at Chamarajanagar Hospital

Chamarajanagar, Sept.25 (SS& DM)- Health and Family Welfare Minister B. Sriramulu took everyone by surprise when he made an announced overnight stay at Chamarajanagar District Hospital last night to personally know about the State of affairs in the hospital.

Sriramulu who arrived at the District Hospital at 9 pm on Tuesday, inspected the Ophthalmology Department ward and interacted with the patients undergoing treatment.

The Minister later visited the Paediatric Ward, where he received inputs on the treatment procedures.

Thereafter, he inspected the Emergency Ward and interacted with the patients. The Minister directed the medical staff to shift a seriously ill patient to a Bengaluru hospital.

Later, he instructed the hospital staff to ensure proper medical care to all patients and also to see that there are no complaints on dispensation of medicines.

Sriramulu thereafter addressed the public who had gathered outside the hospital in large numbers upon learning about the Minister's visit.

Maintaining that the Government will meet medical expenses of poor patients up to Rs. 5 lakh, the Minister called upon the public to be informed about Government schemes on healthcare.

Explaining the rationale behind his visit to hospitals, he maintained that his stay in hospitals would largely help in understanding the problems of the people much better.

DC B.B. Cauvery, ZP CEO H.B. Narayan Rao, SP H.D. Anand Kumar, DHO Dr. M.C. Ravi, District Surgeon Dr. Rajendra, Medical Officer Dr. Mahesh and other officials were present.

Sriramulu blames Siddharamaiah for fall of coalition Govt.

Earlier speaking to press persons prior to his hospital inspection, Sriramulu accused CLP leader and former CM Siddharamaiah of plotting the fall of the JD(S)-Congress Coalition Government.

Alleging that Siddharamaiah had an action plan for sending senior Congress leader D.K. Shivakumar to jail, Sriramulu claimed that Siddharamaiah was behind the resignation of Congress MLAs who were close to him (Siddu), which triggered the collapse of H.D. Kumaraswamy led coalition government.

Continuing, Sriramulu alleged that Siddharamaiah also had an hand in D.K. Shivakumar going to jail, as DKS had eyed the KPCC President post and the post of Leader of Opposition.

Claiming that Siddharamaiah had executed his plots in a planned manner, the Health Minister said that Siddharamaiah had along played a political drama, which culminated in the collapse of the JD(S)-Congress Coalition Government and also the fall of his (Siddu) bête-noire H.D. Kumaraswamy from the seat of power.

Obituary

Kamalakshi

Mysuru, Sept.25- Kamalakshi (82), wife of late Isaiah Joseph and a resident of Vidyaranyapuram, passed away yesterday in city. She leaves behind her family members and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral was held at CSI Cemetery on Mahadevapura Road in Gandhinagar this morning.

Alexander Cherian

Alexander Cherian (58), an employee of Mission Hospital and a resident of Kesare, passed away yesterday in city. He leaves behind his wife Sainamol Alexander, son Alvi Alexander, daughter Aleena Alexander and a host of relatives and friends.

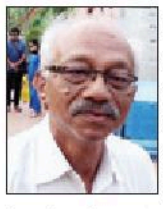
Funeral service was held at his residence and at Mar Thoma Syrian Church at Vishweshwaranagar this afternoon, followed by the burial at Benson Cemetery on Nanjangud Road.

Sharavani

Sharavani (62), a resident of Krishnamurthypuram here, passed away this morning at her residence.

She leaves behind her husband Nagaraja Rao, son Vinay Kanagal, a youth Congress leader and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

Prof. M. Varadaraju



Prof. M. Varadaraju (62), a resident of Ramakrishnanagar, passed away at a private hospital in city early this morning, following heart attack. He leaves behind his wife, a daughter, a son, daughter-in-law and a host of relatives and friends. Varadaraju had served as a Kannada Professor at various Government Colleges and had also written books on history. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

Snails gnaw their way through coffee crop

Giant African land snails invade coffee estates in Kodagu; Coffee Board comes to growers' rescue

By Arathi Menon

As monsoon clouds delayed their presence over the verdant hills of Kodagu in June this year, coffee planters of North Kodagu were caught in a bizarre tussle of apprehension and relief. A delayed monsoon is never good news for farmers in the Western Ghats who are increasingly finding themselves at the receiving end of climate change-induced extreme climatic events.

Last year, unprecedented rainfall and floods spelt doom for Kodagu farmers, taking lives and livelihoods away from them. On the other hand, rains are an open invitation to an invasive alien species of snail — the giant African land snail — that appeared in the Northern parts of Kodagu five-six years ago and has overstayed its welcome. It is a cause for concern for farmers of Shanivarsanthe in Somwarpet Taluk where the snails are gnawing their way through crops.

Easy adaptation

Farmer **Pradeep B. Shekar,** who owns 40 acres of coffee plantation, says that the pest goes for young coffee plants and tender leaves and stems of pepper, completely destroying the plants. A major crop pest, the snail is not a picky eater; it devours 500 plant species and easily adapts to different ecosystems. "They multiply in large numbers within a short span of time," he says.

The giant African land snail, called Shanka (conch) Hula (worm) in local parlance for the conch-shaped shell it has, made its presence felt in Kodagu for the first time in 2012-2013 in 50-60 acres of coffee plantation in Shanivarsanthe.

Control measures fail

Many measures were taken to contain it but just when the farmers thought that they have expertly got rid of it, it reappeared unceremoniously in 2017, this time wreaking havoc in a 300-acre area, affecting crops of around 45 planters. The farmers here claim that they incur a loss of about Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 12,000 per acre, mostly from the additional cost put in to eliminate the pest.

The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) has listed the giant African land snail that goes by the scientific name *Achatina Fulica* as one of the worst invasive species in the world. The IUCN defines an Invasive Alien Species (IAS) as "a problematic species introduced outside its natural, past or present distribution. They may lead to changes in the structure and composition of ecosystems, detrimentally affecting ecosystem services, human economy and well-being."

Alien species

Achatina Fulica is one of the four species of giant snails belonging to the gastropod family of Achatinidae that are native to Africa. It is classified as an obligate-outcrossing hermaphrodite, which means that one externally fertilised snail can establish a population.

Needless to say, they reproduce in large numbers. These snails begin laying eggs at six months of age and can lay around 100 eggs in their first year and up to 500 in the second year. Their life expectancy is around five years and one snail can lay up to 1,000 eggs by then. It is no surprise then that one giant snail, whose shell length ranges about 5 to 10 cm (though some adults may exceed 20cm) and a reported average weight of about 32 grams, can create a population all by itself.

Coffee Board comes up with effective bait

In successfully nipping a potential disaster in the bud, Kodagu Coffee Board has emerged as an unlikely hero. The researchers at the **Central Coffee Research Institute** in Balehonnur, Chikkamagaluru and the substation in Chettalli in Kodagu came up with bait for the snail for what they have termed as "the catch-and-kill method" of eliminating these snails. "The bait is made of rice bran, jaggery, castor oil and a chemical, Thiodicarb. These are mixed together and balls of it are placed between four coffee plants," explains **Vishwanath Hadagali,** Junior Liaison Officer of Coffee Board at Shanivarsanthe.

Incentive to growers

Encouraged by this, the Coffee Board, with active participation from Karnataka Horticulture Department and Planters Association of Shanivarsanthe, upped their act through regular awareness meetings and distribution of bait kits to all the planters affected. A kit with a pair of gloves, 25kg of rice bran, 100g of Thiodicarb from the brand Larvin, 3 kg of jaggery and 100 ml castor oil, costs Rs. 1,000 which is distributed among farmers at a highly subsidised rate of Rs. 100. "This has to be a collective effort," says **Pradeep Kumar,** an affected farmer from Handli village in Shanivarsanthe.

"If one affected farmer doesn't participate, the infestation cannot be contained," he adds. Vishwanath confirms 90 per cent success in eliminating these pests from Kodagu farms forever. "While we did not maintain records properly for the years 2014, 2015 and 2016, 24 tonnes of dead snails were collected in 2017 which came down to eight tonnes in 2018. We expect much lesser infestation this year," Vishwanath says.

The chemical used earlier was Methomyl which was also very effective but it was banned later as it was too strong for the soil. "We tried every method available in the literature to get rid of these pests and this bait was found to be the most effective," says **Manjunath Reddy,** Assistant Entomologist, Coffee Research Substation at Chettalli. As a result, 30 tonnes of dead snails were collected in 2015.

Buying back dead snails

The Board also came up with a unique idea of buying back dead snails. While they started with Rs. 4 per kg, the buyback price stands at Rs. 8 per kg now. "The dead snails are disposed of in a pit that's one-and-a-half feet deep. Salt is put over the dead ones to ensure even the last of the caught snails is dead and then buried," Vishwanath says.

This meticulous burial is a precautionary measure against the spread of any disease by the snail. The giant African snails are known to serve as intermediate hosts of several parasites that cause severe diseases in pets, free-ranging vertebrates, and humans. They are perfect hosts of rat lungworm, Angiostrongylus cantonensis which causes Eosinophilic meningitis in human beings.

Research suggests that African snails can spread to new locations via trade routes, piggybacking on agricultural products, equipment, cargo and plant or soil matter. While there is no consensus on how they found their way into the pristine landscape of Kodagu, it is certain that these pesky visitors have come with no exit plan.

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Yuva Sambhrama – Day 8

Students create awareness on civic issues

The students of Government Women's FGC, Hunsur, performing to a mythological song at Open Air Theatre in Manasagangothri last evening.

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (YDS& VNS)- Students of different colleges created awareness on various civic issues including River Cauvery, usage of plastic, judicious use of water, farmer issues among others on Day-8 of the ongoing 'Yuva Sambhrama' at Open Air Theatre in Manasagangothri here yesterday.

At first, special children of Mythri Charitable Trust, Ashokapuram, rendered the then Mysore State Anthem 'Kayo Sri Gowri,' composed by Jayachamaraja Wadiyar, which received a huge applause. They also performed to songs such as 'Namoora Santheli Mussanje Hothalli.'

Later, students of Maharani's Government Pre University College performed a dance ballet based on the theme 'farmers being the backbone of our country' and also various problems faced by them. This was followed by a performance for the songs 'Karunaade... Kai Chachide Node', 'Huttidare Kannada Naadalli Huttabeku' and also tribute was paid to the late Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar through a dance ballet for the song 'Mareyodunte Mysura Doreya.' Students of Government College for Women, Maddur, performed to the song 'Kannada Naadina Jeevanadi ee Cauvery.' Soon after, students of JSS Polytechnic for Differently-Abled and Government School for Deaf and Dumb shook their legs and hips for patriotic songs such as 'Vande Mataram' and 'Jai Ho.'

Government School for the Deaf and the Dumb, Tilak Nagar, performing to a patriotic song.

This was followed by performances from Aaradhana PU College, P. Hosahalli in Mandya; Government FGC, Koppa in Maddur, Government FGC, Virajpet; S.M. Lingappa College of Education, K.R. Pet; D. Devaraj Urs Government PU College (Science Division), Hunsur; Marimallappa PU College, Mysuru; JSS PU College, Devalapura in Mysuru; Vijaya Vittala PU College, Mysuru; Amrita Vidyalayam, Mysuru; Mahajana FGC, Mysuru and Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions, Mysuru, who created awareness on women empowerment and unity in diversity among others.

Folk dance by the students of Government College for Women, Maddur, Mandya. Picture right shows Aradhana PU College, P. Hosahalli, Mandya, promoting Kannada and Culture through their dance.

Royal stage readied for Dasara

A worker painting the hand-railing of the steps leading to dais in front of the Mysore Palace where Dasara cultural programmes will be held from Sept.29.

117 cameras keep 360° vigil on Palace

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Every movement of not only visitors but also the staff working in the Palace Board and other places are kept a close watch by these 117 cameras, installed at all strategic places, including right at the top of one of the domes of the Palace, keeping a 360-degree vision on the entire activity.

Palace Security — with officials of the Police Force that comes under the jurisdiction of the City Police Commissioner — keeps a 24x7 watch on even the minutest movement, with cameras panning all the time.

"The security watch that is provided at the Mysore Palace is one of the best. City Police Commissioner K.T. Balakrishna who visited the Palace during the arrival of elephants last month was impressed with the security and the kind of cameras installed and said that it is sophisticated, comparable to the ones provided at Mysore Airport," said Mysuru Palace Board Deputy Director T.S.Subramanya, speaking to Star of Mysore.

In all, there are total of 75 Police personnel including ACP, Inspectors, Assistant Sub Inspectors and Constables guarding the Palace. The Police do the night rounds and in the morning, dog squad and the anti-sabotage check will be held every day to see that there are no threats to the Mysore Palace, as it is one of the most iconic places, which could be a target of terror attacks.

However, during the Dasara celebrations when the diamond-studded Golden Throne is assembled, the cameras panning the Khas Durbar Hall where the throne is kept, is covered and the screen goes blank for security purposes.

As it has one of the most sophisticated equipment, the data that is stored will be preserved for six months unlike other close circuit television operations where it is discarded after a month, said a source in the Palace Board.

Central Industrial Security Force

Since long, there has been a demand for Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) to keep a vigil on the Palace as it is said that the security provided by them is much better.

CISF is already deployed in Infosys campus and also at the Bharatiya Reserve Bank Note Mudran Private Ltd. campus in Mysuru.

Hence, if CISF is deployed at Mysore Palace where the security threat is equally high, it will go a long way in maintaining tight security around the Palace, said a source in the Palace Board on condition of anonymity.

Ring Road Glows

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Defunct bulbs, rodent-eaten wires

The 42-kilometre long carriageway has 2,135 electric poles and each pole has two lights. This means, MUDA has to replace over 4,270 bulbs as almost all the bulbs have become defunct. MUDA sources said that though the bulbs are replaced, some of them won't light up as rodents have eaten off the wires as they have been laid under the box drain that has been constructed on the middle of the Road. These wires have to be re-insulated.

Waiting for Govt. order

MUDA Commissioner P.S. Kantharaju told *SOM* that the process of replacing defunct bulbs and re-insulating the rodent-cut wires is almost over and as per the CM's directive, MUDA and MCC will share the responsibility of maintaining the streetlights. "We have set aside funds to get the lights switched on. Maintenance cost includes replacement of bulbs, wires and fuse and other works besides the electricity costs," he said.

"The matter is before the Government (Urban Development Department) since both MUDA and MCC come under the Urban Development Department. We have sent a proposal to the Government on who can maintain and operate the Ring Road streetlights. Over 1,136 electricity poles of the total 2,135 come under MUDA while the rest come under the jurisdiction of MCC and Zilla Panchayat. As such, MCC, MUDA and ZP can together foot the electricity bill. We are awaiting orders," he said.

Dasara Pet Show on Oct.2

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (KS) - As part of Dasara festivities, a Pet Show has been organised on Oct.2 in city. The show will be held from 9 am at the Hockey Grounds of University of Mysore.

Pet owners, interested to participate should register their pets before 5 pm on Sept.29.

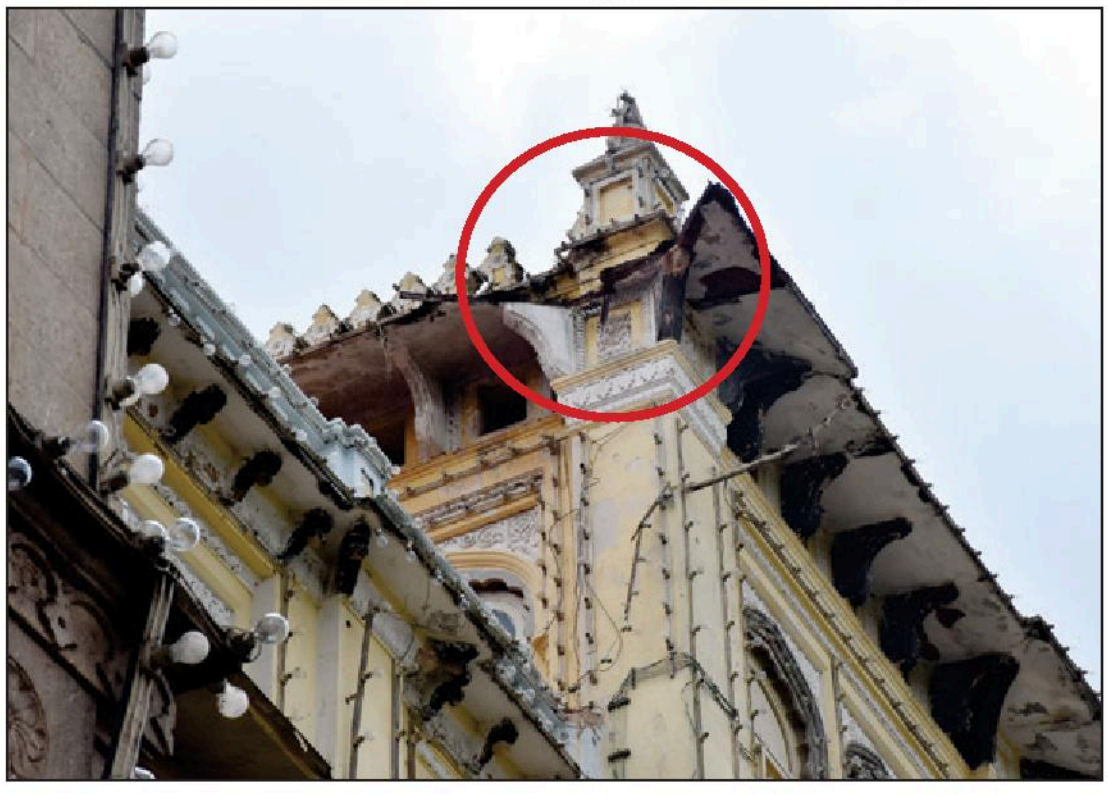
Certificates from Kennel Clubs is not required and all pets can participate. Those who have registered their pets should be present at the venue at 9 am on Oct.2.

Owners should take safety measures of their pets and food, chains, belts and other items should be brought by the owners. All participating pets will be given certificates while prizes will be given to the winning pets.

Drinking water and first-aid facilities are provided. Animals or birds coming under Wildlife Act are banned from participating in the pet show.

Registration of pets can be done by calling City Veterinary Hospital - Mob: 99458-09981; Chamundipuram Veterinary Hospital - 99166-95446; Rajendranagar - 82770-02890; K.G. Koppal - 81977-28298; Kumbarakoppal - 99729-69248; Industrial Suburb - 94484-31552; Nazarbad - 98450-96933; Ittigegud - 94489-38507; Hinkal - 99803-60200; Bogadi - 98459-73739 or Paduvarahalli Veterinary Hospital - 98441-69910, according to a press release.

Portion of *Chajja* at Mysore Palace collapses



Mysuru, Sept.25- A portion of the Chajja (projecting or overhanging eaves or cover of a roof) at the residential side of the Mysore Palace collapsed on Monday morning following heavy rains the previous night. However, no one was injured.

According to Mysore Palace Board Deputy Director T.S. Subramanya, it was just a very small portion of the Chajja that had fallen off and there was no need for any concern, as the entire Palace building is well maintained.

"In the 72-acre grounds, the magnificent Mysore Palace occupies five acres and the maintenance of the Palace has always been in good condition. The portion that fell of is just the edge of the Chajja and not the entire portion," he said pointing to the top of the Palace building.

"Due to heavy rains, the Palace building, which is more than 100-years old and the height of the Chajja at almost 120 feet, there is bound to be some wear and tear," he said and added "It will be repaired at the earliest."

It is very common to take up minor repair works every now and then. If there are any problems on the residential side, then either the erstwhile royal family members (who live in the residential portion of the Palace) will themselves take up the work or if it is brought to our attention the Palace Board will take it up, said Subramanya.

Police Band holds rehearsal

Mysuru, Sept.25(MTY&DM)- The visitors to the city Palace were in for a surprise this morning as they got an opportunity to watch the Police band perform (Rehearsal) and hear the melodious music.

As part of Dasara festival, the Police band is scheduled to perform at the palace premises on Oct.5 from 6pm to 8pm. With 10 days to go for the event, first rehearsal was held today. A total of 270 personnel of the Police Band will perform before thousands of visitors to the Palace on Oct.5.

For the first time, a total of 38 teams from across the state will take part in the Oct. 5 event. Today's rehearsal, which began with the positioning of musical instrument players, was led by English Board Commander B.Manjunath and M. Raju, an Inspector.

Forum appeals authorities not to allow 'Mahisha Dasara'

Mysuru, Sept. 25 (RKB&DM)- The Informed Citizens Forum (Pragnavantha Nagarikara Vedike) has urged the authorities not to allow 'Mahisha Dasara.'

Addressing a press meet here yesterday, Forum Vice-President Jayasimha Sridhar said that the Forum strongly opposes the idea of 'Mahisha Dasara.'

Pointing out that Dasara is being traditionally celebrated as a *Nada Habba* from over four centuries, he said that some persons have been pushing for celebration of 'Mahisha Dasara' which is not correct.

Maintaining that the celebration of 'Mahisha Dasara' will send a wrong message at a time when the city was geared up for the world famous Dasara festival, Sridhar said that the Forum has presented a memorandum to the Deputy Commissioner not to allow 'Mahisha Dasara.'

Calling for the celebration of traditional Dasara with the involvement of everyone, he said that efforts will be made to convince the organisers of 'Mahisha Dasara' against holding of the event. Forum Office-bearers Sandesh Pawar, Pramod Gowda, Umesh, Harish Gowda and others were present at press meet.

Unauthorised shop-keepers atop Chamundi Hill vacate voluntarily

Mysuru, Sept.25(SBD&DM)- With the authorities setting Sept. 25 deadline to vacate unauthorised shops, more than 50 shop-keepers atop Chamundi Hill voluntarily vacated their shops on Tuesday night.

The shops were located close to Mahishasura statue and the bus stand.

Following directions from District Minister V. Somanna, the Revenue, PWD and Gram Panchayat authorities had cleared 97 unauthorised shops atop Chamundi Hill on Sept.12.

The authorities issued title deeds to 54 shop-keepers and asked them to vacate by Sept. 25, following which the shop-keepers voluntarily vacated their shops last night before today's deadline.

Meanwhile, Tahsildar T. Ramesh Babu said that 101 shop-keepers who have been issued title deeds, have been accommodated in the Gram Panchayat's commercial complex, while sheds will be built for 54 other shop-keepers who have not been issued title deeds, in a couple of days.

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Treading the Guru's Path

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By Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan

Saketharaman presenting a vocal concert accompanied by Dr. Umayalpuram K. Sivaraman on mridanga, Guruprasanna on kanjira and B.U. Ganesh Prasad on violin. Picture below shows a sketch of the concert by artist Harsha Nagaraju of Mysuru.

On the 12th day of the Music Festival at 8th Cross, V.V. Mohalla, **Saketharaman** sang with **B.U. Ganesh Prasad** on violin, **Dr. Umayalpuram K. Sivaraman** on mridanga and **Guruprasanna** on kanjira.

Saketharaman is one of the regular artistes who have been performing for this Heritage Music Festival since many years. He is a confident vocalist who plans his concerts with clarity, presenting them in an engaging manner. For the present concert, he had chosen some rare compositions. His voice did not sound as sweet as it did in his previous concerts in this concert though.

'Paripahi maam Sri Siddhi Vinayaka,' a rare composition of Jayachamaraja Wadiyar suited the occasion. Kalpana swaras at 'Gakaara Beejakshara nilaye' were very innovative.

A short raga delineation of Brindavana Saranga led to Deekshitar's 'Sundara Rajam Aashraye,' a beautiful composition which describes Lord Sundara Raja who has a lotus-like face, whose auspicious form holds a conch, a discus, a mace and a sword in his hand and the sun and the moon for his eyes and is like a Kalpaka tree to his devotees. The composition was rendered with Bhava, which is the chief characteristic of his Guru Lalgudi's style.

The vocalist turned the simhendra Madhyama exposition to an enjoyable listening with his well-carved out phrases in the ragalapana. The presentation of 'Ninne Nammitinayya' by Mysore Vasudevachar with the usual neraval and swaras at 'Pannagendra shayana' suited the raga and the mood.

Kedaragowla occupied the centre-stage with the well-known 'Saraguna palimpa' of Poochi Srinivasa Iyengar. Saketharaman embellished it with his vocal power and imagination. Neraval was at 'Varaguna Sheshadri,' while swaras were developed for the pallavi part.

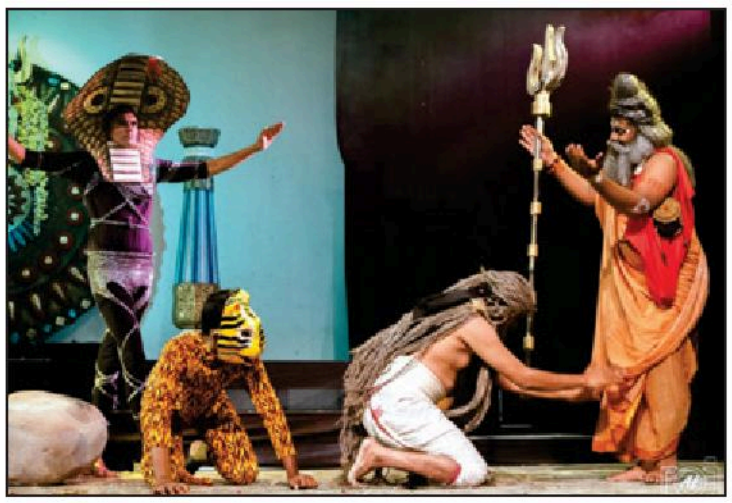
Violinist Ganesh Prasad shined through the swaras segment with his mature approach.

Umayalpuram's mridanga excelled throughout the concert as also his taniyavartanam with Guru Prasanna's kanjira.

Purandara Dasaru's 'Krishna Ennabarade' in Sheshagopalan's style, Kanakadasaru's very popular 'Baro Krishanayya' ragamalike and the Lalgudi tillana in Bhagesri provided for euphony.

Compelling & cogent adaptation of 'Manteswamy'

By Horeyala Doreswamy



Manteswamy and 'Male Mahadeshwara' are the two major folk epics popular in the old Mysuru region of Karnataka. These two unique oral folk epics have been kept alive by professional singers who sing and narrate story of their deity with snake shaped tanti vadya, a string instrument, along with finger cymbals or *kamsale battalu* and leather drums called *dammadi* (small tambourine) as well as *gaggara* (hollow, ornamented silver ring).

Those who sing 'Manteswamy Kavya' or 'Legend of Manteswamy' are called *Neelagaaras* or *Leelegaaras*. Manteswamy is one of the most notable members of Sharana Movement started by Basavanna in mid 12th Century.

According to legend, Manteswamy came from north along with his disciples to southern part of Karnataka. The folk epic narrates the story of Manteswamy, his humanitarian works and miracles, which won the hearts of common folk irrespective of their cast or creed. The folklore enchants the listeners with its rustic flavour and austere rendering of the narrative mesmerises the listeners. This great epic was introduced to the literary word for the first time by noted folklorist Prof. Jee. Sham. Paramashivayya and many others have also published different editions of the epic.

Noted poet and playwright Prof. H.S. Shivaprakash's Kannada play 'Manteswamy Kathaprasanga' is based on this narrative folk song, which has been staged to full houses on multiple occasions.

In an attempt to adapt this epic of antiquity to contemporary society, GPIER theatre troupe of Mysuru staged the play on Sept.13 to a packed Kiru Rangamandira in Kalamandira premises. The play was directed by noted theatre person and former Rangayana artiste Mime Ramesh.

The story on the stage begins with Basavanna eagerly waiting for the prospect of arrival of a devote Sharana while Manteswamy's journey is depicted as arrival of *Paranjyothi,* the Divine Light, with his demeanours. As the analogy of the droplet of water on the lotus leaf illustrates distancing attitude of non-attachment, even while he indulges himself with liquor and smoking, he is revered by Basavanna and Neelambike couple.

Later after leaving Kalyana, Manteswamy embarks upon a journey with Kaduganna Rachappa and Dodda Mahatayi towards south. Kempachari of Nidaghatta becomes his disciple after his seven rebirths who gets transformed to become Ghananeela Siddhappaji who in turn breaks the ego of Panchala King of Halaguru. And finally sighting Kaliyuga's uptrend, Adijyothi Manteswamy leaves his terrestrial abode to become one with Pataleshwara.

The drama begins with rendering of Manteswamy *padas* and unfolds further with music, songs and various acts including arrival of Manteswamy to Kalyana, acceptance of Rachappa as his disciple, pebble play and transformation of Kempachiri to Siddappaji.

While Manteswamy, Rachappaji and Siddappaji are legends who are believed to be living during 16th Century, the play attempts to adapt the story of their miracles and suit it to the contemporary issues.

Performances of **Naveen Netaji** as Manteswamy, **M.P. Haridatta** as Siddappaji, **Prajwal** and **Sanyaj Mohan** as Rachappaji 1 and 2, **Sujata Naveen** as Doddamma Thayi, **N. Nagendra** as Basavanna and **Parinita** as Neelambika stood apart with their fine acting and application.

Music composed by **Devanand Varaprasad,** co-singer **S.R. Deepak,** costume by **N. Divya,** lighting by **Raghavendra Acchappa** and stage arrangement by **K.V. Sharath** deserves admiration. Mime Ramesh's direction needs no special introduction.

91st UoM Annual Athletic Meet 2019

Three New Meet Records set on opening day

B.K. Bhavana, the fastest woman of the Athletic Meet with a New Meet Record.

V. Ambika in action during her record-breaking shot-put throw.

Md. Saqlain Ahmed — the New Meet Record holder in the Men's Discus-Throw.

Mysuru, Sept. 25- Three New Meet Records were set on the opening day of the three-day 91st Annual University of Mysore (UoM) Inter-Collegiate Athletic Meet (2019-20) held at the University Oval Athletic Grounds here yesterday.

B.K. Bhavana of Yuvaraja's College (Autonomous), Mysuru, emerged as the fastest woman of the Meet by winning the gold in the women's 100m event with a timing of 12.07s and erased the 21-year-old record of 12.19s set by Champarani of Teresian College, Mysuru in 1998-99.

In the second record of day, **V. Ambika** of Maharani's Science College, Mysuru, threw the Shot-Put to a record distance of 14.77m, erasing the previous mark of 14.44m set by Meghana Devang of Maharani's Arts College, Mysuru, in 2017-18.

In the Men's Section, **Md. Saqlain Ahmed** of Vidyaashram FGC, Mysuru, hurled the discus to a record distance of 45.72m erasing the previous mark of 40.69m set by M.R. Nandish of PG Sports Council in 2010-11.

RESULTS (Winners only)

Men — 110m Hurdles: Afsar Ahmed (PGSC, MGM- 18.28s), **Triple-Jump:** Boby Sabu (Basudeva Somani College, Mysuru - 15.17m), **Javelin-Throw:** U.L. Venuprasad (Basudeva Somani College, Mysuru - 46.08m), **10000m:** R. Sandeep (GFGC, K.R.Pet - 36:08.79s); **200m:** Vaibhav U. Rayamane (Vidyaashram FGC, Mysuru - 22.69s), **Discus-Throw:** Md. Saqlain Ahmed (Vidyaashram FGC, Mysuru - 45.72m - NMR); **800m:** Rahul Choudhary (Basudeva Somani FGC - 1:59.47s).

Women — 800m: M.C. Amrutha (Teresian College, Mysuru - 2:33.28s); **100m Hurdles:** M.R. Dhanusha (Basudeva Somani College, Mysuru - 16.04s); **Shot-Put:** V. Ambika (Maharani's Science College, Mysuru - 14.77m - NMR); **High-Jump:** Hema (GFGC, Siddarthnagar, Mysuru - 1.30m); **100m:** B.K. Bhavana (Yuvaraja's College-Autonomous, Mysuru - 12.07s - NMR); **Hammer-Throw:** K.K. Rashmi (Maharani's Women's College, Mysuru - 21.87m); **4x400m Relay:** Teresian College, Mysuru - 4:32.21s.

MYSORE RACES 2019

(By Our Racing Correspondent)

Sakura Vs Merlot

for F.K. Irani Memorial Trophy

Mysuru, Sept. 25- Following are the selections for the 9th Day Mysore Races to be held here tomorrow (26th September, 2019):

1.	1.30 PM	**THE SON OF THE LIGHT PLATE DIV II**
		1400 mts (rated 00 to 25)
		1. South Bell 2. Star Binder
2.	2.00 PM	**THE SECUNDERBAD PLATE**
		1600 mts (rated 20 to 45)
		1. Fotogenic 2. Brave Lady
3.	2.30 PM	**THE SON OF THE LIGHT PLATE DIV I**
		1400 mts (rated 00 to 25)
		1. Perfect King 2.Sun Flash
4.	3.00 PM	**THE M.B. APPAYA MEMORIAL TROPHY DIV I**
		1400 mts (rated 40 to 65- Mysuru based horses)
		1. Travieso 2. Rustic Sunrise
5.	3.30 PM	**THE HOTEL RRR TROPHY**
		1400 mts. (rated 60 and above)
		1. Set to Win 2. Top Striker
6.	4.00 PM	**THE F.K. IRANI MEMORIAL TROPHY**
		1400 mts (rated 75 and above)
		1. Sakura 2. Merlot
7.	4.30 PM	**THE M.B. APPAYA MEMORIAL TROPHY DIV II**
		1200 mts (rated 40 to 65- Mysuru based horses)
		1. Ferfect Legacy 2. Vijaya Arjun
8.	5.00 PM	**THE ABS FABS PLATE**
		1200 mts (rated 20 to 45-Mysuru based horses)
		1. Scarlet Burning 2. Time Traveller

DAY'S BEST: *PERFECT LEGACY;* ***DOUBLE:*** *1. TRAVIESO, 2. SET TO WIN;* ***JACKPOT:*** *4,5,6,7,8;* ***I-TREBLE:*** *1,2,3;* ***II-TREBLE:*** *3,4,5;* ***III-TREBLE:*** *6,7,8;* ***EXACTAS:*** *7,8.* ***—Tipster PGC***

KPL Betting Racket

Belagavi Panthers owner held

Bengaluru, Sept. 25- The Central Crime Branch (CCB) sleuths arrested Ali Asfak Thara, the owner of Belagavi Panthers, for allegedly being involved in an international betting racket, here yesterday.

The Police sources said that they were also investigating into match-fixing angle and added that Ali was the prime suspect in the betting racket and they suspected him to be involved in match fixing as well.

According to Police sources, Ali, who served as a link between the players and bookies, is said to have been in touch with at least 30 players while Karnataka Premier League (KPL) was underway. He is said to have lured players by offering them parties, accommodation and cash. The Police added that Ali instructed the players to play in a particular way based on which he used to place the bets.

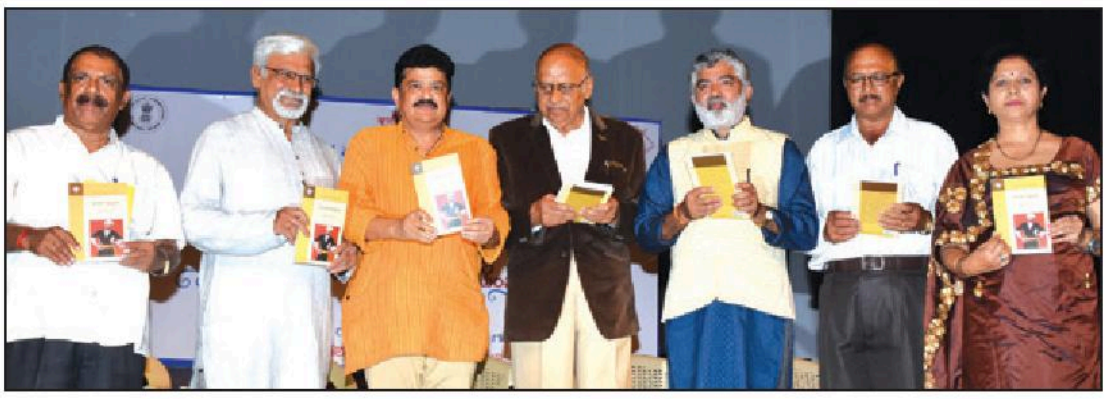
The CCB sleuths have also questioned 30 players who were allegedly contacted by Ali during the tournament. The Police sources also mentioned that though few players were aware of this racket and had not stepped forward to provide information. Fortunately, the Anti Corruption Unit of Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), which got a tip-off, alerted Bengaluru Police who handed over the investigation to CCB. Following this, the Police had detained Ali for questioning on Sept.20.

Speaking to *SOM,* Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) Spokesperson and KPL Governing Council Member Vinay Mruthyunjaya said that KSCA had asked for a copy of an FIR and added that an internal enquiry would be ordered following which necessary action would be taken in the interest of KSCA.

Ali, who owns tours and travel, had bought Belagavi Panthers franchise in 2017 after it was sold by the previous owners.

'Kannada has always protected Kodava language'

Book 'Haradasa Appacha Kavi' released



Literary and Cultural Thinker Dr. Adengada A. Kuttappa** (centre), **who released the book** Haradasa Appacha Kavi, **brought out by Theatre artiste Addanda Cariappa** (third from right), **is seen with chief guest Odiyanda Ganesh, Bharani Art Gallery Director Nellamakkada B. Kaverappa, Natana Director Mandya Ramesh, another guest Kattera A. Nanaiah and artiste Anitha Cariappa.

Mysuru, Sept.25 (MK&US)- "Kodava language is like seeds inside a fruit which is Kannada language," observed Literary and Cultural Thinker Dr.A.A. Kuttappa.

He was speaking at 'Kodava Thakk - Sahitya Dina' (Kodava Language and Literate Day) organised jointly by Kendra Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi, Rangabhoomi Trust, Kodagu and Natana Ranga Shaale at Natana Rangamandira in Ramakrishnanagar recently to commemorate the 151st birth anniversary of Haradasa Appacha Kavi.

Dr. Kuttappa recalled that Appacha Kavi was an expert playwright whose four plays have become very popular. He commended Akademi Member and Theatre artiste Addanda Cariappa for coming out with the book *Haradasa Appacha Kavi* that was released at the event.

Speaking on the occasion, Cariappa observed that protecting Kannada language with script has become tough and promoting Kodava language without a script by Appacha Kavi was really laudable.

Appacha Kavi

When the 14th Kannada Sahitya Sammelana was held in Kodagu, D.V. Gundappa, Chairing the Sammelana, appreciated holding the event in Kodagu and predicted that Kodavas would protect Kannada in the coming days, he recalled.

Continuing, Cariappa said that 'Kodava Thakk - Sahitya Dina' is being celebrated to commemorate the birth anniversary of Appacha Kavi and added that the country's first folk literature *'Pattole Palame'* running to 612 pages was in Kodava language. He sought establishing of a Haradasa Appacha Kavi Study Chair at the University of Mysore and also to organise Appacha Kavi Jayanti in Kodagu by the State Government.

Bharani Art Gallery Director Nellamakkada B. Kaverappa said that the State cannot forget Haradasa Kavi who used to read Shlokas of epics and who promoted the Kodava literature.

On the occasion, the play 'Badk' was staged by Cariappa and Anitha couple in the lead roles of the elderly couple Chengappa and Thangachi with a lot of humorous anecdotes portraying the true life of a happily married couple.

Rotary Central fetes teachers

Rotary Central Mysore recently honoured four teachers who have rendered meritorious and unconditional service in the field of education. Dr. Sr. Sajitha, Director, Teresian College, Mysuru; Eshwar, Government Higher Primary School, T.K. Layout; Rtn. Anthony Moses, Physical Education Director, Teresian College and V. Ramaswamy, Head Master, Primary School, Kyathamaranahalli, Gayathripuram, were felicitated by the chief guest, Assistant Governor Rtn. S. Raghavendra, RI District 3181 Zone - 7. Rtn. Thanthri, Rtn. Vivek Attaver, Rtn. Vijendra Srinivas, District Governor Nominee Rtn. Ravindra Bhat, Secretary Rtn. Sudhir Achary, Club President Rtn. Naveen George, Vocational Service Director Rtn. Savitha P. Shetty, Rtn. Umesh, Rtn. Praveen Pal and Rtn. Jayprakash were present.

Minister Somanna holds meeting on *Theerthodbhava*

Madikeri, Sept. 25- With *Nada Habba* Dasara round the corner, Kodagu District in-charge Minister V. Somanna held a meeting with officials on the preparations for Dasara festivities and *Cauvery Theerthodbhava* at the DC's office here on Monday.

Addressing the meeting, Sri Bhagamandala Talacauvery Temple Management Committee President B.S. Thammaiah said that the *Cauvery Theerthodbhava* will take place on Oct. 18 and all preparations are being made in association with the Departments concerned.

MLA K.G. Bopaiah urged the PWD Department to fill the potholes on all roads connecting Bhagamandala, using the wet-mix procedure.

Bopaiah wanted clearance of all uprooted trees on Bhagamandala-Karike road.

The MLA also appealed the Minister to direct the Bhagamandala Temple Management Committee to release Rs. 25 lakh for the Gram Panchayat to take up cleaning works during the Jathra.

Thammaiah said that the Temple has Rs. 1.60 crore in its account, out of which various development works is being executed at a cost of Rs. 1.20 crore.

Minister Somanna directed the officials to ensure there are no lacunae in the celebration of Dasara festivities and also during *Cauvery Theerthodbhava*. On the occasion, Somanna released Madikeri Dasara Brochure.

Houses to be handed over to flood victims by December: Minister

Madikeri, Sept.25- Housing Minister V. Somanna, who is also the Kodagu District in-charge Minister, has said that the houses built for the flood victims at Madenadu, Karnangeri and Jamboor villages will be handed over by the end of December.

Addressing a press meet at the DC office here on Monday, Somanna said that 635 houses including 300 in Jamboor, 35 in Karnangeri and nearly 300 in Madenadu are being built and would be handed over to flood victims by the end of this year.

Pointing out that the BJP Government headed by B.S. Yediyurappa has released Rs. 100 crore for taking up flood relief works, he said that the PWD, Panchayat Raj, Urban Development and Irrigation Departments are working for improving the civic amenities and other infrastructure in flood ravaged areas.

Noting that the Government is giving Rs. 10,000 to every flood affected family towards monthly rent, the Minister said flood relief works are being expedited at a brisk pace.

MLAs K.G. Bopaiah and Appachu Ranjan, MP Pratap Simha, MLCs Sunil Subramani and Veena Achaiah, ZP President B.A. Harish, Deputy Commissioner Annies Kanmani Joy, SP Suman D. Pennekar, ZP CEO K. Lakshmi Priya, Assistant Commissioner T. Javaregowda and other officials accompanied the Minister.

Chosen for Natl. Literary Award

Mysuru, Sept.25 (US)- Retired Editor of Kannada Encyclopaedia of University of Mysore and Senior Writer S. Chennappa has been selected for this year's Sir M.V. National Literary Award instituted by Bharat Ratna Sir M. Visvesvaraya Prathishtana, Bengaluru, in recognition of Chennappa's contribution to Kannada literature.

He has written many books with significant contribution to biography and children's literature. He has won the Karnataka Sahitya Academy award and has also been honoured by Karnataka State Education and Research Directorate. His books have been translated to other languages too.

Pourakarmikas have responsibility of protecting Mysuru's rich heritage

District Minister distributes uniforms, rain coats, ID cards to civic workers at luncheon meet

Mysuru, Sept.25 (DM)- District Minister V. Somanna yesterday observed that Pourakarmikas have the responsibility of protecting the richness of the heritage city — Mysuru. Terming them as city's pride, he said the civic workers should earn the love and affection of tourists by keeping the city clean. He was speaking at a programme organised by MCC to distribute facilities to Pourakarmikas at Rajendra Kalamandira here.

Maintaining that he would be grateful to Pourakarmikas for their role in Mysuru bagging the Cleanest City tag for two successive years, Somanna said that the MCC was planning to directly credit the salaries of contract Pourakarmikas to their bank accounts and this plan is likely to come into effect in a month.

Stating that the MCC and the Government will be with Pourakarmikas, Somanna called upon them to educate their children and thus give them a better future.

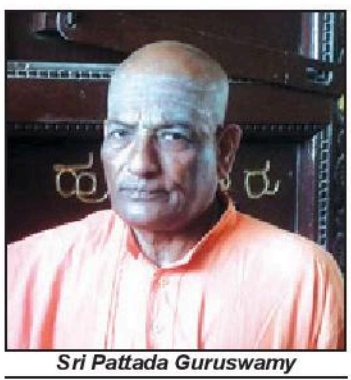
On the occasion, the Minister distributed rain coats, ID cards and uniforms to the Pourakarmikas. He also released a poster brought out by the Dasara Swachhata Sub-Committee on the theme 'Plastic-free Dasara.'

Later, Somanna served lunch to Pourakarmikas. Menu included Kheer, Obbattu, Ricebath, Akki Roti, Anna Sambar, Masala Vada.

MP Pratap Simha, Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath, DC Abhiram G. Sankar, MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde, Pourakarmikas' Association State President and ex-Mayor Narayan, BJP leader B.P. Manjunath, Sub-Committee office-bearers, MCC Corporators and others were present.

Sulwadi temple prasadam poisoning case

Court stays naming of Salur Mutt successor



Sri Pattada Guruswamy

Immadi Mahadevaswamy

Hanur, Sept.25 (Soma)- Even as Hanur temple tragedy, in which 17 people lost their lives due to poisoning of prasadam at Sulwadi Kichguth Maramma Temple, is still fresh in the minds of people, Immadi Mahadevaswamy, the Junior Seer of Salur Mutt, who is the prime accused in the case and currently in Jail, is said to have brought a stay from the Court on the naming of his successor to the Mutt.

After Immadi Mahadevaswamy was named as the prime accused in the poisoning case, the Salur Mutt devotees were planning to sack Immadi Mahadevaswamy and appoint a successor.

But Immadi Mahadevaswamy, after coming to know of the development, is said to have stalled the move by bringing a Court stay.

Salur Mutt Senior Seer Sri Pattada Guruswamy, owing to his old age and poor health, had called a meeting of the Mutt devotees on Aug. 15 at Gundegala, during which the Seer had asked the devotees to name his successor.

The devotees later resolved to name a successor from outside the families of Pattada Guruswamy and Immadi Mahadevaswamy and also decided to meet Suttur Mutt Seer to seek his guidance.

The devotees met Suttur Seer on Aug. 18, when Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji advised them to form a Committee and accordingly the devotees formed one that comprised former Hanur MLA Parimala Nagappa, Advocate Shashibimba, political leader Ponnachi Mahadevaswamy, Veerashaiva leader Thotesh, businessman Veeramadu and other prominent devotees.

This Committee met at Salur Mutt atop M.M. Hills on Aug. 28, during which they decided to sack Immadi Mahadevaswamy. Even as the Committee was discussing the issue, a Court Amin arrived at the venue and handed over a copy of the Court order that granted a stay to the selection of Junior Seer for the Mutt.

Due to the Court's stay, the process to select the Junior Seer has been stopped for now. The Committee, however, has moved the Court seeking a vacation of the stay order and its plea is scheduled to come up for hearing on Oct. 16.

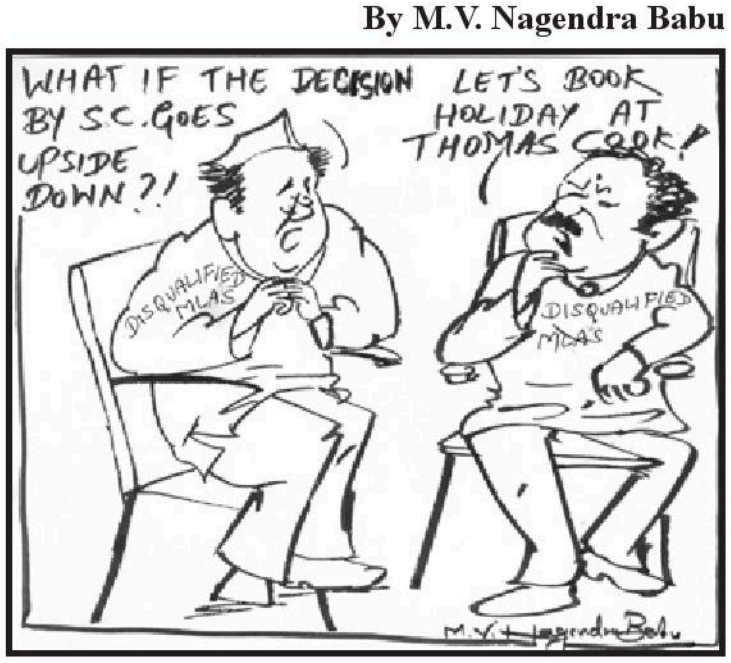
Amidst all these happenings is an interesting development the Committee came to know about a Will purportedly written by Pattada Guruswamy on July 17 mentioning that one Nagendra of Bandalli be made his successor. After the Will was found, the Committee met again last Sunday at Salur Mutt, during which the devotees raised the Will issue.

Pattada Guruswamy, clarifying on the Will, said that he had written it as he was severely ill and hospitalised. But later on, he recovered and came to the conclusion that the devotees themselves must make a choice on his successor, following which he convened a meeting of the Mutt devotees at Gundegala.

Maintaining that his Will shall become operative only after his death, Pattada Guruswamy assured the devotees that he would soon withdraw his registered Will and make way for the Committee to choose his successor.

BABU'S BANTER

By M.V. Nagendra Babu


WHAT IF THE DECISION BY SC GOES UPSIDE DOWN?!
DISQUALIFIED MLAS
LET'S BOOK HOLIDAY AT THOMAS COOK!
DISQUALIFIED MLAS
M.V. Nagendra Babu

WORD OF THE DAY

Misprision

Pronunciation: mis-PRIZH-un.

Meaning: Neglect or wrong performance of official duty; concealment of treason or felony by one who is not a participant in the treason or felony; seditious conduct against the government or the courts.

Origin: All but one of the following words traces back to Latin prehendere, meaning "to seize." Which word doesn't belong?

apprehend - comprehend - misprision - misprize - prison - surprise.

It's easy to see the prehendere connection in apprehend and comprehend, whereas you may be surprised that surprise is from prehendere (via Anglo-French susprendre, meaning "to capture" or "to take by surprise"). Prison, too, is from prehendere by way of Anglo-French. And misprision comes to us by way of Anglo-French mesprisun ("error, wrongdoing"), from mesprendre ("to take by mistake"), itself from prehendere. The only word that's out of place is misprize, meaning "to despise" or "to undervalue." It's ultimately from Latin pretium, meaning "value," but—in a trick move that perhaps only English could pull off—misprize has also given us a related noun meaning "contempt, scorn," in the form of an etymologically distinct misprision.

Example: "The charge, misprision of a felony, is one prosecutors often deploy against defendants who have agreed to help the government make its case." — Grace Toohey.

THE ODD WORD

Mabsoot

Happy.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Make a Splash

Meaning: The expression "Make a splash" is used to talk about a person or event that makes a sudden, major impact and attracts a great deal of attention or becomes very well known.

Origin: The origin of the phrase "Make a Splash" isn't known for certain, however, the term has been in popular since about the middle of the 20th century. It is commonly used in the UK and America.

This is the show that explains the origin and usage of common American English expressions.

Today, we are going to make a splash!

Yes, you make a splash when you jump into water. But to make a splash also means to attract a lot of attention, in a good way.

For example you could say, "She made in splash in Washington, D.C. as a political consultant." Or "If he moves to Hollywood he will make a huge splash in the film industry."

But let's get back to actually splashing in water. When it's hot, people often go to the beach or swimming pools to cool off in the water. The water is also a great place to learn American expressions.

Example: Barack Obama made quite a splash when he first ran for President!

QUOTE BOX

Stones make no splash on a frozen lake. **— Steven Erikson**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the picture rebus:

Answer: Once in a blue moon.

SUDOKU

		1	8					9
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6	5					8		
					3			
	3	9				1	7	
			2					
		3					5	6
9		4	3		1			
2					9	3		

Answer to previous puzzle

8	6	2	4	1	9	5	7	3
1	5	7	8	2	3	9	4	6
9	4	3	6	5	7	8	1	2
2	9	8	1	4	6	7	3	5
4	7	1	9	3	5	2	6	8
6	3	5	2	7	8	4	9	1
3	8	4	5	9	1	6	2	7
5	1	9	7	6	2	3	8	4
7	2	6	3	8	4	1	5	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Another word for 'eggs'
4 '60s drug briefly
7 Menlo Park initials
10 Fish appendage
11 Inter ____ : among other things, in Latin
13 Twofold
14 Quality of neatness and orderliness
16 Fire: comb. form or prefix?
17 Taking a light sleep
19 Freedom of action
21 Opp. direction to NNW
24 In Greek mythology she was cup-bearer to the gods
25 Puts the food on the strove again?
27 Correct or reform
29 Accounts inquiry
30 Rather warm?
33 Not often or frequently found
34 Inshort,responsetoaquestion
35 Stately horse-driven vehicles
38 A place for refreshment (3-4)
39 Alan ___ : famous Hollywood and TV star?
42 Harmless or trivial untruth? (5,3)
46 Ex-India batsman Abbas Ali ___
47 Longest river of Soviet Asia
48 A deer-like animal
49 R. E. Lee's side
50 Desmond's pet name?
51 The French for 'island'

DOWN

1 Frequently
2 Roman seven
3 In addition
4 Hawaiian verandah
5 Joined Morpheus for a while?
6 Capital of Assam
7 Pull hard and violently
8 Famous Hindi movie of days gone by - "An a" anagram?
9 Biblical high priest
12 Apart or aloof, distant
13 Use a spade
15 A design or purpose
18 Ms Dhupia of Bollywood
19 Fruit with sour juice or a simpleton
20 Assists or helps in criminal activity
21 Former Egyptian ruler
22 Mixes, agitates or shakes
23 Italian noble family
24 Laughter (2,2)
26 The Continent?
28 They may be thrown by gamblers?
31 Outer covering for shoulders
32 Talked over or maybe blotched
36 River to North Sea
37 Tiny amounts?
38 __ along : follow behind?
39 Alphabet trio
40 ___ Vegas : the famous gambling city?
41 Diameter, in short?
43 Hawaiian garland
44 Sick
45 Supplement with difficulty

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

U	R	I			A	G	L		P	O	S	Y
P	A	M			L	E	E		A	B	L	E
I	M	P	L	Y	I	N	G		R	O	E	S
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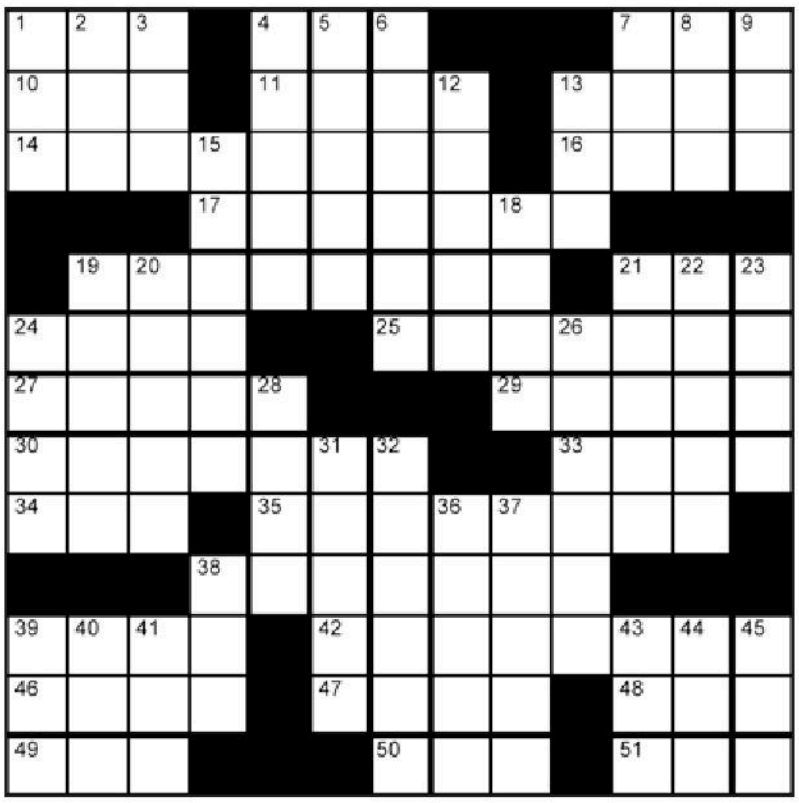

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

JW JF E ZOFOWWJYS XJNO TP LOITNCENJOF WT FGZFWJWGWO

QGZBJN TQJYJTY PTC BEH. WMJF JF WMO GFGEB PTCI JY

HMJNM IEFFOF TP IOY OKMJZJW WMOJC WUCEYYU.

TODAY'S CLUE: S EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Tripura	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Nishkarsha	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
Pailwaan	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
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Pal Pal Dil Ke Paas (H)	(S-1)	3.50 pm
Kaappan (Ta)	(S-1)	6.45 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-2)	4.00 pm
Nishkarsha (K)	(S-2)	10.35 am
Prassthanam (H)	(S-2)	1.05 pm
The Zoya Factor (H)	(S-2)	7.15 pm; (S-3) 4.40 pm
	(S-4)	9.55 pm
Valmiki (Te)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Kurukshetra (K)	(S-3)	1.10 pm
Dream Girl (H)	(S-3)	7.15 pm
Pailwaan (K)	(S-4)	9.50 am, 1.00 pm, 6.45 pm
Mission Mangal (H)	(S-4)	4.10 pm

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The Zoya Factor (H)	(S-1)	7.00 pm; (S-4) 10.10 am
Pailwaan (K)	(S-2)	9.40 am, 3.15 pm, 6.35 pm
Dream Girl (H)	(S-1)	12.55 pm
Chhichhore (H)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
Nishkarsha (K)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Prassthanam (H)	(S-4)	1.00 pm
Oththa Seruppu Size - 7 (Ta)	(S-4)	7.05 pm
Kaappan (Ta)	(S-3)	9.45 am, 4.00 pm
	(S-2)	9.55 pm
Rambo : Last Blood (E)	(S-2)	12.55 pm; (S-3) 7.20 pm
Valmiki (Te)	(S-4)	9.45 pm
Nani's Gang Leader (Te)	(S-3)	9.40 pm

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Kaappaan (Ta)	9.15 am, 3.00 pm
Gang Leader (Te)	9.40 am, 6.35 pm
Pal Pal Dil Ke Paas (H)	9.40 am, 3.50 pm
Pailwaan (K)	11.35 am, 6.25 pm, 9.50 pm
Chhichhore (H)	12.40 pm, 6.35 pm
The Zoya Factor (H)	12.55 pm, 7.00 pm
Nishkarsha (K)	3.20 pm
Dream Girl (H)	3.45 pm, 9.40 pm
Saaho (H)	9.50 pm
Valmiki (Te)	10.00 pm

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EVENTS TODAY (SEPT.25)

Navakarnataka: 60th anniversary celebrations, book expo, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru, JLB Road, **up to 8.30 pm.**

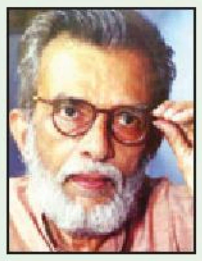
Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP): Bombe Mane, an expo of dolls from across India, Pratima Gallery, #91, above Amarapalli Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7.30 pm.**

Vasundhara Performing Arts Centre (VPAC) Trust, Mysuru: 33rd Year Pallavotsava-2019 — 5-day National-level Classical Dance and Music Festival, 'Raasavrunda' Director Guru Nandini Eswer inaugurates, industrialist, art patron and VPAC President K.V. Murthy presides, Rotary North Mysuru President Rtn. Udai S. Kumar chief guest, Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy will be present, Karnatak Vocal Concert by Vidu. Chaitrika Mysuru, 'Sanmargam' - Bharatanayam (Vasundhara Bani) by disciples of Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm to 9 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru:

Swami Gautamanandaji, Vice-President, Ramakrishna Mutt and Ramakrishna Ashrama, will address devotees, **6 pm;** *Darshan* to devotees, Ashrama auditorium, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: Music Concert by Vidu. Dr. Geetha Seetharam (vocal), Vid. Keshav (violin) and Vid. G.T. Swamy (mridanga), Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar, **6.30 pm.**



B.V. Karanth College Rangothsava

Rangayana: B.V. Karanth College Rangothsava, staging of play 'Bombat Beechi' by BHS Higher Education Society, T. Narasipur [Playwright: Belur Ramamurthy and Directors: Vinod and Ravi Kyathanahalli], Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

DASARA-2019: YUVA SAMBHRAMA

CULTURAL PROGRAMMES BY VARIOUS COLLEGE STUDENTS — Sri Adichunchanagiri PU College, Periyapatna, Mysuru - Shiva Thandava, **5.30 pm;** Sri Mahadeshwara Government FGC, Kollegal, Chamarajanagar - Kannada and Culture, **5.40 pm;** Government FGC, Tiptur, Tumakuru - Women Empowerment and Equality, **5.50 pm;** Government FGC, Chamarajanagar - Harmonious India, **6 pm;** Sri Adichunchanagiri Independent PU College, H.D. Kote - Women Empowerment, **6.10 pm;** Aniketana PU College, Kalenahalli, Mandya - Independent India and Soldiers, **6.20 pm;** Government FGC for Women, Madikeri - Dance, **6.30 pm;** JSS Arts and Commerce College, Gundlupet - National Integration, **6.40 pm;** Vijaya FGC, Pandavapura, Mandya - Patriotism, **6.50 pm;** Government PU College, Menasikyatanahalli, T. Narasipur - Kannada & Culture and Folk Elegance, **7 pm;** BGS FGC, Periyapatna - Patriotism, **7.10 pm;** Government FGC, Halagur, Malavalli, Mandya - Dance, **7.20 pm;** Government PU College for Girls, Nanjangud - Folk Dance, **7.30 pm;** D. Banumaiah's Commerce and Arts College (PG Division), Mysuru - National Integration, **7.40 pm;** JSS PU College, Bannimantap, Mysuru - Mythology, **7.50 pm;** Department of Industrial Training & Employment, Mysuru - Indian Heritage, **8 pm;** Sri Nataraja Residential FGC for Women, Sri Hosmutt, Mysuru - Dance, **8.10 pm;** Government FGC, Siddarthanagar, Mysuru - Dance, **8.20 pm;** Maharaja's College, Mysuru (PG Division) - National Heritage, **8.30 pm;** Jnanadeepa FGC, Mysuru - Feature on actors who have obtained Doctorate, **8.40 pm;** Christ FGC, Bannur Road, Mysuru - National Integration, **8.50 pm;** Vidya Vikas B.Ed College, Mysuru - Mysuru Dasara Traditional Celebrations, **9 pm;** Maharaja Institute of Technology (MIT), Thandavapura - National Integration, **9.10 pm;** BGS FGC, Mysuru - Women Empowerment, **9.20 pm;** Government Industrial Training Institute (ITI), Belavadi, Mysuru - Patriotism, **9.30 pm;** Vidyavardhaka Polytechnic, Gokulam, Mysuru - Kannada and Culture, **9.40 pm;** Vidyavardhaka Composite PU College, Mysuru - Indian Independence Movement, Open Air Theatre, Manasagangothri, **9.50 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (SEPT.26)

Navakarnataka: 60th anniversary, book expo, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru, JLB Road, **9.30 am to 8.30 pm.**

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP): Bombe Mane, an expo of dolls from across India, Pratima Gallery, #91, above Amarapalli Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**

Maharani's Commerce and Management College for Women, Valmiki Road, Paduvarahalli: Inauguration of Cultural, Sports, NSS, Scouts and Guides Annual Activities (2019-20) by Minister V. Somanna, MLA L. Nagendra releases annual magazine, thinker Dr. C.G. Ushadevi main speaker, actor Vijay Raghavendra chief guest, College Principal Dr. G.H. Mahadevaswamy presides, College premises, **10.30 am.**

Vijaya Vittala Composite PU College, Saraswathipuram and Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat, City Unit, Mysuru: Homi Jehangir Bhabha's 110th birth anniversary celebrations, University of Mysore VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar inaugurates, Prof. K.S. Mallesh main speaker, Parishat President Srimathi Hariprasad will be present, Vijaya Vittala College auditorium, **11.30 am.**

JSS Mahavidyapeetha: Nadoja Dr. Hampa Nagarajaiah releases the books titled 'Glimpses of the Cherished Values' (Edited by Dr. Chandrashekaraiah) and 'Suttur Suradhenu' (Translated by Dr. Padma Ramachandrasharma), a collection of discourses of Suttur Mutt Seer, Conferring of 'Sri Shivarathreeshwara Award' on Sri Nirupadeesha Swamiji for his work titled 'Siddarama Vilasa' and Dr. C.S. Shivakumaraswamy for his work titled 'Vedagmagalu mattu Chennabasavanna' for the year 2017 and 2018 respectively, 'Sri M. Veerappa Endowment Award' on artist M. Koravarakar and 'Kalaguru D.V. Halabhavi Award' on artist P.S. Hiremath; Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji and Sri Siddeshwara Swamiji will grace the occasion, former Additional Chief Secretary Chiranjeevi Singh presides, Rajendra Bhavan, JSS Hospital premises, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru: Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Sri Durga Saptashati,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Vasundhara Performing Arts Centre (VPAC) Trust, Mysuru: 33rd Year Pallavotsava-2019 — National-level Classical Dance and Music Festival, Odissi by Dipsi Pattanayak, Bhubaneswar, **6.15 pm;** Kuchipudi by Samyuktha Matsa, Andhra Pradesh, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **7.15 pm to 8 pm.**

Rangayana: B.V. Karanth College Rangothsava, staging of play 'Raja Lear' by Government First Grade College, K.R. Pet [Playwright: Vydehi and Directors: Arun Kumar and Pradeep Hassan], Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, V.V. Puram: Veena recital by Vid. R.K. Padmanabhan, accompanied by Vid. M.S. Jayaram - mridanga, Vid. G.S. Kumar - ghata, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm.**

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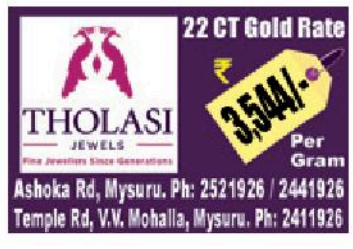

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